GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:463
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CLEANER AND GREENER MINING OPERATIONS
Mahtab Shri Bhartruhari

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has laid emphasis on cleaner and greener mining operations;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether any target has been fixed to achieve the above objectives;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the efforts made by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA)

(a) to (e). A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO THE REPLY IN LOK SABHA STARRED QEUSTION NO.463 DATED 8TH MAY, 2007 REGARDING CLEANER AND GREENER MINING OPERATIONS ASKED BY SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB.

(a) to (e). Mining operations are undertaken by the lessee as per the approved mining plan by Indian Bureau of Mines/State Governments. Mining plan is required for ensuring systematic and scientific mining of minerals and it inter-alia include the assessment of impact of mining activity on forests, details of scheme of restoration of the area by afforestation, pollution control measures etc. Indian Bureau of Mines carry out regular inspection of mines for conservation and development of minerals and to ensure that mining operations are carried out as per approved mining plan. Beside this mining activities are also subject to other laws of the land including the Forests (Conservation)Act, 1980 and rules framed hereunder and Environment (Protection)Act, 1986 and rules and notifications issued thereunder.